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1. WE HAVE NEVER HEARD ANY RUMORS ABOUT IRA LINKS WITH QUEBEC LIBERATION FRONT. THIS MAY OR MAY NOT BE SIGNIFICANT. MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN IRA (SUCH AS LIBYAN CONNECTION) HAVE A WAY OF LEAKING EVENTUALLY. ON OTHWN HAND, IRA APPEARS TO DO A GOOD JOB OF PROTECTING MANY DETAILS.

2. PAPERS HAVE OFTEN REFERRED TO EXTREME PROTESTANT CONNECTIONS IN CANADA, AND SUNDAY TIMES DEC 8 HAD INFO ON A SUCCESSFUL BRITISH PROSECUTION FOR ARMS-SMUGGLING. BOTH BRANCHES OF IRA MUST BE AWARE OF THIS. PAPERS HAVE REPORTED THAT IRA IS ALSO FUND-RAISING IN CANADA, BUT NO DETAILS GIVEN. BOTH OFFICIAL AND PROVISIONAL IRA HAVE A WELL-KNOWN INTEREST IN CONNECTIONS WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST GROUPS. IF FLQ IS IN A POSITION TO BE HELPFUL, IT WOULD BE LOGICAL TO ASSUME SOME IRA ATTEMPT TO MAKE CONTACT. FOR US, ANYTHING BEYOND THIS WOULD BE SPECULATION.
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